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CHINA - A WHEAT PRODUCE

It comes somewhat as a surprise to us of the Occidental world to learn that China is a big wheat producer, one of the biggest, if not the biggest, in the world.

This information is conveyed in figures given out by the Director of Statistics, China, in the Statistical Monthly, published by this department.

From the director's report we learn that the average wheat area of China, exclusive of three minor provinces, is 42,040,000 acres, and the average annual harvest is 840,822,000 bushels.

If these figures are correct, China is far in advance of other countries in the world in wheat production.

We have been accustomed to think of the Chinese as a rice eating people, a people to whom wheat was almost an unknown luxury. China has been looked to as a great potential wheat consuming country, and other countries have looked to her as a great future market for wheat.

But now we learn that China is herself a great wheat producing country, apparently with an annual production of nearly a billion bushels.

Wheat in the Chinese market for the necessary food of millions of Chinese. It is considered a staple food of a great class of people below the wealthy stratum at the top and the middle stratum at the bottom.

That we have not more information concerning China and her industries is due to the primitive communication and transportation facilities in the country, and the unorganized condition of her society.

China, with her towering hundreds of millions, may still be a great potential wheat importing country, but we will have to revise our ideas as to the agricultural production of the country, particularly as pertaining to wheat.

BACK IN HAIRNESS
The same mayor and councillors will manage the business affairs of Bassano for the next twelve months. The raters have been seen to re-elect them by acclamation.

The raters are so satisfied that the mayor and councillors have been doing a good job of civic government, and they want them to carry on.

The same may be said for the school trustees, who were also re-elected by acclamation.

Bassano is getting notorious for election by acclamation. It has been going on for so many years, has come to be the accepted practice.

STILL CHARGING SAME PHONE RATES
Telephone accounts were received in Bassano this week, and it was found the Albertans who use the phones is still over-charging on monthly rentals for business telephones.

The excess charge amounts to 25 cents a month on every business phone. When it really costs 15 cents, Bassano business men are expected to pay more than the graded scale as drawn up by the telephone department.

This overcharging has been going on for a year or more, unknown to local telephone subscribers. It should be corrected at once and brought down to the proper rate.

It may be expected too much for phone subscribers to ask for a refund of monies already overpaid, but they are perfectly justified in doing so.

OUR TRADE WITH GREAT BRITAIN
(by R. J. Deachman)

Mr. Harry Stevens, minister of trade and commerce exults triumphantly in the assertion that the present government has succeeded in diverting trade from other countries to the Empire. It is a nice story—in fact so extremely nice that it is worth while passing to it.

Canadian imports from the United Kingdom reached a record of \$1,000,000,000 in the fiscal year 1929. They fell off slightly in the following year, total value being \$189,000,000. There was a further drop in 1931 when total imports amounted to \$249,000,000.

The figures are for the fiscal year in each case.

The latest available figures are for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1935, revealing imports of \$6,000,000,000.

Mr. Stevens may be engaged in the task of diverting trade to the Empire but the figures are not very diverting just as they stand.

Let us examine them still further.

For the first time in Canadian history, our trade statistics do not tell the truth. Imports from Great Britain are valued upon the basis of the pound at \$4.36 a pound.

Imports from the United States are valued upon the basis of the dollar at \$1.00 a dollar. This means that imports from Great Britain are valued at 4.36 per cent more than imports from the United States.

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Nearly 5,000,000 people buy one or more of the 45 radio publications in Germany every week.

In Berlin a noisy machine is confiscated by the police and fined with a fine of 10 marks for making a nuisance of the owner's expense.

Whales are to be caught by electricity, which will stun them and cause them to rise to the water's surface, in the White Sea, Russia.

"Wherever you are," says an article, "you can always find your way by noting the position of the moon on tree trunks."—See capitals will be glad to hear this.



A HEALTH SERVICE OF THE CANADIAN MARITIME ASSOCIATION AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES IN CANADA

THE HUMAN MACHINE

The motor car goes—what makes it go? The answer is not as simple as it might appear to be. Most of us have experienced the failure of the motor's engine to run smoothly, and on such occasions we have realised how little we know about what makes the engine go, or what causes it to misbehave.

The human body works like an engine. It is, however, much more difficult to find out what makes it go, or why it gets out of order. We cannot take the parts out and examine them, nor can we stop the human machine and start it up again.

It is remarkable how well and how efficiently the body machine does its job. It is able to meet quickly meeting sudden extra demands, and how efficiently the various parts of the body are designed to do the particular work which they are called upon to perform.

The blood carries oxygen to every one of the millions of cells which make up the tissues, and organs. In the normal body, there is never a lack of oxygen, because a large reserve is available. This is true in spite of the fact that when the body is hard at work, the need for oxygen is greatly increased.

The demand is met by an increase in the rate of breathing and in the amount of blood flowing through the lungs. In this way the additional amount of oxygen required is picked up by the blood from the air in the lungs.

The red blood cells are the actual carriers of the oxygen. When the demand for oxygen is low, a portion of the red cells is withdrawn from the circulation, and these are kept in the spleen ready to come out at a moment's notice, to meet any demand that arises for more oxygen.

Blood is where it is needed. The heart, by increasing the rate of its beat, increases the rapidly flow of the blood. Blood vessels dilate when the need for blood increases in the muscles or in the organs supplied by the blood vessels.

The flow of blood through the body is increased after a meal, an increased supply of blood is given to the digestive system through the circulation of the abdominal blood vessels, and at such times we become drowsy because, as a result of sending additional blood to the abdominal region, the blood supply to the brain diminishes.

The blood carries not only oxygen but food, in addition, the powerful chemical secretions by certain organs which have much to do in regulating the growth and functioning of the whole body.

If it is to be a good body working smoothly he must do his part. Reasonable attention given to the human machine will preserve the increased happiness that comes with a healthy body.

Alas, too many of us lead the misery resulting from the troubles which come from a poorly working machine.

WHITE ASH MINE
Jas. Hamilton, proprietor

WORLD'S GOLD PRODUCTION
On the basis of data now available the United States Bureau of Statistics estimates that 1935 production of gold throughout the world amounted to \$485,750,000 as compared with \$440,994,000 in 1931, \$419,601,000 in 1930, and \$408,222,000 in 1929.

South Africa leads the list of gold producers, with Canada second, United States third, Australia and New Zealand fourth, and South America fifth.

CALGARY MAY ISSUE
\$662,000 IN SUEP

CALGARY, Feb. 7.—Following a survey of civic employees' salary, a sub-group of the city council's scrip committee is studying proposals that a scrip be issued to the amount of \$662,000 on the basis of the year's operations, it was stated.

It is thought that of \$1,681,216.61 of civic payroll, exclusive of school salaries, \$20,968.35 could be paid in scrip.

Of the total estimate of \$2,714,096.17 of accounts payable, it is estimated that \$241,136 could be issued.

Meanwhile the legal aspect of the proposal will be studied.

PLAN TO MAKE PAPER FROM STRAW IN EDMONTON

EDMONTON, Feb. 7.—Request will be made to the provincial government for a grant toward the establishment of a straw paper plant here it was decided on Monday evening at a special meeting of a committee of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce to study the question.

Last week the chamber held a meeting and heard various phases of the straw paper question. A sub-committee was appointed to investigate the matter and as a result the meeting on Monday was held and a decision to favor construction was reached.

BRITAIN TO MAKE OFFER FOR WAR DEBT SETTLEMENT

LONDON, Feb. 7.—A new British offer for settlement of the United States war debt on a definite and final lump sum basis, is expected to result from consultations, which Sir Ronald Lindsay, British Ambassador to the United States, inaugurated upon his arrival in London this afternoon with the "big dog" of the cabinet.

The same mentioned ranged from \$1,350,000,000 to two billion dollars for settling the great war debt claim, the Associated Press learned via telegraphic circuit.

The total of Britain's war indebtedness to the United States at present is \$4,002,400,000. The London government has paid the United States \$2,007,248,280 on the war debt.

TARIFF BOARD NAMED
OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—Mr. Justice Gies, J. Sedgewick of the Supreme Court of Ontario, Charles Robert of Montreal, and Milton Campbell, Treasurer, are members of the House of Commons for the tariff board, which will name those to constitute the new tariff board.

IN THE DESERT A HIGHWAY FOR OUR GOD

"In the desert a highway for our God." This is the title and this is the theme that runs all through the seventeenth annual report of the Council for Social Service of the Church of England in Canada.

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in the spiritual side of social welfare work, the evangelistic side of social service, and the council's share in the work undertaken by the Joint Committee on the Evangelistic Union of Canadian life.

Any of this report will be sent free on application to the office of the Council for Social Service, 904 Jarvis Street, Toronto, Ont.

THERE COMES A DAY
What though the hours are full of dreariness,
With many a burning far along the way,
There comes a day
When all the stormy clouds above depart.

Whate'er 'twere before there came an hour
Of pure, clear light, like sunshine in the heart,
And every pool a reservoir of peace,
And every silent flower
Bending forth the fragrance of release.

Today goes hard, but in the morrow's light
All yesterday's will be forgot;
Glow of dawn will follow dismal night,
And deep within no rubric will blot
The buxant ruddiness that shines without.

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SAMBROOKE'S GARAGE
TIRE REPAIRS - BATTERY REPAIRS
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We are agents for counter sales books, and we can supply with any style of book you require at prices standard throughout the west.

We also have on hand a quantity of blank counter sales books for anyone wishing to buy just a few books.

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One pound of pure raw silk can be chemically produced "death rays" by woven into about 20 yards of explosive gunpowder charges 600 feet thick cloth.

Wampole's
tasteless preparation
of **EXTRACT** of
COD LIVER

for Coughs, Colds, and Grippe
Improves Appetite - Aids Digestion

"The medicinal principles, especially Vitamins A and D, stored in the liver of the Cod, and in Cod Liver Oil, have been extracted by us from fresh cod livers, and are presented in the palatable form of a pleasant elixir in the preparation of 'Extract of Cod Liver Wampole,' the oil itself being eliminated."

The Best Year-round Tonic
\$1.00 per bottle

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THE REXALL STORE
Bassano, Alberta

Winter Service
Cold weather driving necessitates infinite care with everything about your car if you are to avoid trouble, discomfort, and inconvenience.

Your car gets the very best of service at our service station. We have the right kind of oil and grease; we have a supply of those little extras that are so essential to winter driving; we give prompt, efficient service.

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For generations
medical men have paid tribute to the sustaining, invigorating, and health giving qualities of properly brewed lager beer when taken in moderation, for workers in every field of endeavor whether mental or physical.

Scrupulous care in selection of ingredients and painstaking supervision of an expert staff of brewers contribute to the excellence of Alberta Beers.

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WE DELIVER
Phone 82
BASSANO

WANT ADS

Want Ads cost two cents a word, and no charge is made for "bait" and address. Payable in advance; cash must accompany ad copy.

Real notices, 10 cents a line for first insertion, and 20 cents a line for each subsequent insertion.

HOUSE FOR SALE OR LET, on two lots (Bassano), 5 rooms and basement; wired for electric light. Apply to Wm. McLaws, Bassano, 51-22-9.

HORSES—Have a few unknown horses, 4 to 4 years old, would trade for young cattle. Ed Evans, Bassano, Box 218. 51-22-9.

WILL TRADE—Massey Harris double also seed drill, for horse. Apply to J. Schiffrin, Crowfoot, 30-31-9.

France has been seeking ways for government support of the wheat market.

NEW SPRING PRINTS

Bright, new patterns, 36 ins. wide, fast colors; a real quality line;

per yard - 25c

PRINTS

English prints, in fast colors; new spring patterns;

35c per yd. 3 yds. for \$1.00

CORSELETTES

Marie Louise fashion garments: coats, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40; only; reg. \$2.95;

to clear at \$1.45

LADIES' WOOL HOSE

Old time line at \$1.25 to clean up only

79c a pair

KAPOK

The ideal filling for cushions, pillows, and upholstered furniture;

1 lb pkg. 35c

DISH TOWELLING

Red and white check, union towelling;

20c a yd.; 6 yds. for 95c

FLEECE BLOOMERS

Warm and cozy; only a few left; size 32; regular 50c;

to clear at 25c

GROCERIES

FRUIT SPECIAL: 1 can each, Raspberries, Pine apple, Cherries, Plums, all for 69

MAPLE SYRUP: pure, 2 lb tin 69

SOUP: Campbell's tomato, 3 for 33

MINUTE TAPIOCA: 1 lb pkg., each 15

HEINZ SANDWICH SPREAD, per bottle 25

GINGER SNAPS: 5 doz. for 15

COCOA: pure, per lb 25

COFFEE: Star Special, 4 lbs. for \$1.00

TEA: Broken Orange Pekoe, per lb 50

JELLY POWDERS, 5 pkgs. for 25

WRITING PAD and 1 pkg. envelopes, reg. 40c 19

PALM OLIVE SOAP: special 3 for 19

OVALTINE: large tin \$1.25

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

ORANGES, large, sweet, and juicy, 3 doz. \$1.00

BANANAS: 2 lbs. 25

APPLES: Spits, box \$1.50

GRAPE FRUIT, 3 for 25

Lettuce, Celery, Grapes, Tomatoes

JAMES JOHNSTON

The Quality Store

THE PICTURES

"Trailing the Killer," World Wide Pictures' latest production, showing at the Orpheum Theatre Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of this week, Feb. 8, 9, and 10, offers the motion picture patrons something radically new and decidedly original.

The picture is presented simply as an entertainment and frankly as a motion picture drama without any attempt at claiming to be something more than a story of careful study and long preparation.

The story shows the ravages of a mountain lion which spreads terror over the sheep country. How the desperate actions of this ferocious beast cause an innocent dog to be branded as a "killer" and later hunted like a beast of prey and later vindicated by its own bravery forms the basis of the plot.

Every element of dramatic construction from comedy to tragedy, with hair-raising fights, terrific suspense and absorbing interest abounds in "Trailing the Killer."

Joe E. Brown is coming next week in "The Road to Glory."

CROWFOOT NEWS

CROWFOOT, Feb. 7—Last Friday about fifty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Nall gathered at their home and spent a very enjoyable evening playing bridge and dancing.

The winners at the bridge were: lady's first, Mrs. F. L. Walker; gentleman's first, J. Walters; gentleman's second, H. H. McFarlane; consolation, Ole Roosen.

A number from their vicinity attended the hockey game in Glenora last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McLaughlin and family of Queenswood, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. F. Holan last Saturday.

Some of the boys were talking about last week, but now it's huddle, gang, huddle, right by the F. & Fairbairn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hallett and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McNeil spent Saturday evening visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Campbell.

Roney Bray and Roy Wager were callers in Bassano last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Bourne and Sydney were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Nelson.

Arthur Guyatt was a business caller in Bassano last Saturday.

Mrs. F. J. Palmer spent Thursday visiting Mrs. I. Hefferbower.

Ole Roosen was a business caller in Calgary last Thursday.

Paul Helle was in Calgary the past few days. He is having some work done on the trucks by F. & Fairbairn.

Pete Holan and Ralph were business callers in Calgary last Thursday.

Miss Marie Jorgensen, of Wayne, is spending a few days visiting the Misses Mildred and Evelyn Jorgensen.

The Gem Juvenile vs. Bassano Juvenile game scheduled for last Saturday was postponed on account of the warm weather. This game will be played on Thursday, Feb. 8, starting at 7 p.m. at the Bassano rink.

IN MEMORIAM
Love's tribute to the memory of a loving husband, father, and son, Robert (Bob) S. Wright, late sergeant of the P. C. Police, who died of cancer and leukemia, who was called to rest suddenly, February 10th, 1929.

When alone in our sorrow bitter tears often flow.

When we dwell on the memories of days long ago.

Unknown to the world he stands by our side.

And he whispers, dear loved ones, death cannot divide.

He was ours, we remember, while others forget.

Sadly missed by wife and children, Bassano, mother and family, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. F. C. McRae, Minister

"The Church Where Everybody Feels at Home."

Sunday, Feb. 10th, 1934
10 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.

7:30 p.m.—Special Service. All members and former members of Hockey teams are urged to attend.

Subject: "Youth and Its Challenge."

Everybody Welcome

BASSANO CREAMERY
W. A. BRODIE
Manager

Full Value

One thing you can be sure of when shipping to us—you get full value for your cream. Our scales are government inspected, and tests are made according to government standard.

No need to ship elsewhere when you can get such splendid service at the

LOCAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winstable, of Chancelor, visited in Bassano last Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winstable. Mr. Winstable returned to Chancelor Saturday, while Mrs. Winstable is remaining with the Planners for a few days.

H. D. Brown, of Bassano, was in town last Saturday.

There was a good turnout of drivers at Kutz Church last Sunday evening when Rev. F. C. McRae conducted the services.

Mrs. H. F. McDonald left Sunday evening for Toronto, Ont., where she was called by the critical illness of her sister.

This has been the coldest week so far this winter. The thermometer registered 25 degrees below zero Tuesday night, and the stiff north wind blowing all day made it feel like 50 below.

BIRTHS
The following births have been recorded at the Bassano Hospital:

A girl to Mr. Mrs. Geo. McNeil, Bassano, on Saturday, Feb. 4.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Stitt, Bassano, Sunday, Feb. 5.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of Lethbridge, Wednesday, Feb. 8.

A. E. Hobbs, of Chancelor, is a patient in the hospital here. He is getting along well after an operation for appendicitis last Monday.

John Penner and Jacob Harris, of Red Deer, underwent major operations on Tuesday.

J. W. Gillock, old timer of the Hudson district, died in the Bassano Hospital Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 7, at the age of 41 years.

The victim of pneumonia, and was admitted to the hospital a week prior to death.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon, Feb. 8, at 3 p.m., from Knox Church, Bassano.

O. K. Wycoff, sister of the deceased, and Mr. Wycoff, arrived from Spokane, Washington to attend the funeral.

GEM NEWS

GEM, Feb. 8—Miss Anderson accompanied by Miss Haines, spent the weekend in Calgary.

Mrs. Jones and Eugene spent a couple of days visiting with Mrs. S. Selridge during the past week.

Several members of the Gem district attended the Countess dance on Friday night last.

Big dance in the Gem school, on St. Patrick's night, March 17. Favours, novelties, balloons, etc. A shamrock tea set of 25 pieces to be given away to holder of "lucky ticket."

A carload of hogs was shipped from the Gem depot through the Livestock Association, on Tuesday.

The train bringing in a carload of coal under the auspices of the Gem U. F. A. local.

Rev. J. F. Fitzpatrick, formerly of Brooks and now of Black Diamond, wishes to tender his thanks to all who helped to make the special, held on Dec. 16, a financial success.

Particularly, he wishes to thank the non-Catholic of Gem who by their support and co-operation helped the interested and responsible parties to make the special a huge success.

Kilo saloon, 415

Bakery Specials for the week-end

BUTTER HORNS: reg. 45c a doz., Special for Sat. only per doz. 25c

CREAM BUNS: per dozen 25c

BATH BUNS: per dozen 25c

YEAST RAISED DOUGH NUTS, per dozen 20c

Cookies, Pies, Cakes, etc.

ICE CREAM and ICE CREAM BRICKS always in stock

Bassano Bakery
Phone 15

For The Home Dressmaker

We have just received a large consignment of Floral Print, Floral Broadcloths, Wacosylkes, Meschcloths, Plain Broadcloths, Plain Rayons, etc., etc., direct from the Wabasso mills.

The New "NOMOR-SHRINK" Fabrics

Guaranteed fast colors and unshrinkable. WABASSO PRINTS — Shrank under the new Sanforized process, patented — they wear.

Beautiful Floral Prints

In pretty new designs, all guaranteed tub-fast and to wear well; 36 inches wide;

35c a yard; 3 yards for \$1

Wabasso "Sturdi-Cloth"

For children's dresses; stands the hard play of many a day. Comes in lovely floral designs; guaranteed tub and tub-fast; 36 inches wide;

25c per yard

Plain Broadcloths

Of excellent quality, highly mercerized finish; guaranteed to wash and wear well; 36 inches wide;

20c per yard

The New Basket Weave Material - "Meshcloth"

For suits, dresses, etc. A delightful "new material"; comes in beautiful rich pastel shades; 36 inches wide;

35c per yard

We Sell Chatelaine Patterns

In all the new styles; every pattern one price.

15c a pattern

Men's Wear Store

SPECIAL BUY IN MEN'S WORK SHOES

Men's solid smoke alk hide shoes; best quality elk hide, with No. 1 solid black leather soles, strongly stitched and screwed. A most excellent wearing shoe; absolute guarantee;

special price - \$3.65 a pr.

Men's Pure Wool Sweater Coats

Heavy jumbo knit, warm, comfortable garments of excellent wearing quality; special price—

\$3.49, \$4.50, \$4.95

MEN'S HEAVY PURE WOOL Socks

Very heavy ribbed wool socks; will give splendid wear; warm and comfortable; special price—

35c a pair

3 pairs for \$1.00

Men's Mackinaw Coats

Made from heavy all wool mackinaw cloth, with a No. 1 quality horsehide lining. The ideal garment for zero weather.

special price - \$8.50

Men's Pant Overalls

Made from heavy 9 oz. blue denim, strongly stitched, with copper riveted pockets and belt; roomy, well cut garments; special price

\$1.59 a pair

Men's Felt Boots, Overshoes, Rubbers, etc.

Special prices on all these goods during the next 7 days

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GROCERY SPECIALS

For Sat. & Mon. Feb. 11 & 13

STRAWBERRY JAM: Peter Pan brand, 4 lb tin .49

RASPBERRY JAM: Peter Pan 4 lb tin .49

SOUPS: Campbell's vegetable or tomato, 3 tins .33

FRUIT SPECIAL: 1 can Pears, 1 can Peaches, 1 can Cherries; choice quality, heavy syrup; the three tins for 63

CANNED VEGETABLE SPECIAL: 1 can Corn, 1 can Tomatoes, 1 can Peas; choice quality; the three for 41

SHELLED WALNUTS: whole halves, light meats; per lb .37

COCOA: Fry's Breakfast Cocoa, half pound tins per tin .27

CHEESE: Kraft's, grated for macaroni, soups, etc. 2 cartons .45

BREAKFAST FOOD: "Smiles," whole wheat porridge 7 lb sack .35

TEA: A. G. Economy, per lb 39c; 3 lbs. for \$1.15

COFFEE: A. G. Economy, ground or bean; per lb 33c; 3 lbs. for 95

COFFEE: Malkin's Best, vacuum pack, per lb .47

LAUNDRY SOAP: P. & G. White Naphtha; 11 bars for 47

TOILET SOAP: special, Palm Olive 3 bars .19

Fruits and Vegetables

ORANGES: sweet and juicy 3 doz. for .95

CELERY: California per lb .15

HEAD LETTUCE: California, large heads 15

GRAPE FRUIT: Texas Sweeties 3 for .29

TOMATOES: Bahamas per lb .25

McKEE'S STORES